

McNerney Richardson  
McNulty Rodriguez  
Meek (FL) Ross  
Meeks (NY) Rothman  
Melancon Roybal-Allard  
Michaud Ruppertsberger  
Miller (NC) Rush  
Miller, George Ryan (OH)  
Mollohan Salazar  
Moore (KS) Sánchez, Linda  
Moore (WI) T.  
Moran (VA) Sanchez, Loretta  
Murphy (CT) Sarbanes  
Murphy, Patrick Schakowsky  
Murtha Schiff  
Nadler Schwartz  
Napolitano Scott (GA)  
Neal (MA) Scott (VA)  
Obey Serrano  
Olver Sestak  
Ortiz Shea-Porter  
Pallone Sherman  
Pascarell Shuster  
Pastor Sires  
Payne Skelton  
Perlmutter Slaughter  
Pomeroy Smith (WA)  
Price (NC) Snyder  
Rahall Solis  
Rangel Space  
Reyes Spratt

## NAYS—175

Aderholt Forbes  
Akin Fortenberry  
Alexander Fossella  
Altmire Foxx  
Bachmann Franks (AZ)  
Bachus Frelinghuysen  
Baker Gallegly  
Barrett (SC) Garrett (NJ)  
Bartlett (MD) Gerlach  
Barton (TX) Gilchrest  
Billbray Gingrey  
Bilirakis Goode  
Blackburn Gordon  
Blunt Granger  
Boehner Hall (TX)  
Bono Hastings (WA)  
Boozman Hayes  
Boustany Hensarling  
Brady (TX) Hill  
Broun (GA) Hoekstra  
Brown (SC) Hulshof  
Brown-Waite, Hunter  
Ginny Inglis (SC)  
Burgess Issa  
Burton (IN) Johnson, Sam  
Calvert Jordan  
Campbell (CA) Keller  
Cannon King (IA)  
Cantor King (NY)  
Carney Kingston  
Carter Kline (MN)  
Castle Knollenberg  
Chabot Lamborn  
Chandler LaTourette  
Coble Lewis (CA)  
Cole (OK) Lewis (KY)  
Conaway Linder  
Culberson LoBiondo  
Davis (KY) Lucas  
Davis, David Mack  
Deal (GA) Manzullo  
DeFazio Marshall  
Delahunt McCotter  
DeLauro McCrery  
Diaz-Balart, L. McHenry  
Diaz-Balart, M. McHugh  
Donnelly McKeon  
Doolittle McMorris  
Drake Rodgers  
Dreier Mica  
Duncan Miller (FL)  
Ehlers Miller (MI)  
Ellsworth Miller, Gary  
Emerson Mitchell  
English (PA) Moran (KS)  
Fallin Murphy, Tim  
Feeney Musgrave  
Ferguson Myrick  
Flake Neugebauer

## ANSWERED “PRESENT”—2

Gohmert Tancredo

## NOT VOTING—34

Ackerman Bonner Buyer  
Bishop (UT) Boren Camp (MI)

Carson Hobson  
Cleaver Israel  
Crenshaw Jindal  
Cubin Jones (NC)  
Davis, Lincoln LaHood  
Everett Lantos  
Giffords Lungren, Daniel  
Grijalva E.  
Hastert Marchant  
Hinojosa McCarthy (NY)

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised 2 minutes remain in the vote.

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So the Journal was approved.  
The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

## MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. BACA. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HOLDEN). The question is on the motion to adjourn offered by the gentleman from California.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. BACA. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 184, nays 204, not voting 44, as follows:

[Roll No. 1080]

## YEAS—184

Aderholt Ellison  
Akin Emerson  
Alexander English (PA)  
Baca Fallin  
Bachus Feeney  
Baker Ferguson  
Barrett (SC) Flake  
Bartlett (MD) Forbes  
Barton (TX) Fortenberry  
Becerra Fossella  
Biggert Foxx  
Billbray Frelinghuysen  
Bilirakis Gallegly  
Blackburn Garrett (NJ)  
Blunt Gerlach  
Boehner Gilchrest  
Bono Gingrey  
Boozman Gohmert  
Boustany Goode  
Brady (TX) Goodlatte  
Broun (GA) Granger  
Brown (SC) Graves  
Brown-Waite, Gutierrez  
Ginny Hastings (WA)  
Buchanan Hayes  
Burgess Heller  
Burton (IN) Hensarling  
Calvert Herger  
Camp (MI) Hoekstra  
Campbell (CA) Honda  
Cannon Hulshof  
Cantor Inglis (SC)  
Capito Issa  
Carter Johnson (IL)  
Castle Jordan  
Coble Keller  
Cole (OK) King (IA)  
Conaway King (NY)  
Culberson Kingston  
Davis (KY) Kirk  
Davis, David Kline (MN)  
Davis, Tom Knollenberg  
Deal (GA) Kuhl (NY)  
Dent Lamborn  
Diaz-Balart, L. Latham  
Diaz-Balart, M. LaTourette  
Doolittle Lewis (CA)  
Drake Lewis (KY)  
Dreier LoBiondo  
Duncan Lucas  
Ehlers Mack

Nunes  
Oberstar  
Paul  
Pickering  
Smith (TX)  
Stark  
Velázquez  
Westmoreland  
Young (AK)

Abercrombie  
Allen  
Altmire  
Andrews  
Arcuri  
Baird  
Baldwin  
Barrow  
Bean  
Berkley  
Berman  
Berry  
Bishop (GA)  
Bishop (NY)  
Blumenauer  
Boswell  
Boucher  
Boyd (FL)  
Boyda (KS)  
Brady (PA)  
Braley (IA)  
Butterfield  
Capps  
Cardoza  
Carney  
Castor  
Chabot  
Chandler  
Clarke  
Clay  
Cleaver  
Clyburn  
Cohen  
Conyers  
Cooper  
Costa  
Costello  
Courtney  
Cramer  
Crowley  
Cuellar  
Cummings  
Davis (AL)  
Davis (CA)  
Davis (IL)  
DeFazio  
DeGette  
DeLauro  
Dicks  
Dingell  
Doggett  
Donnelly  
Doyle  
Edwards  
Ellsworth  
Engel  
Eshoo  
Etheridge  
Farr  
Fattah  
Filner  
Frank (MA)  
Gillibrand  
Gonzalez  
Gordon  
Green, Al  
Green, Gene  
Grijalva  
Hall (NY)

Ackerman  
Bachmann  
Bishop (UT)  
Bonner  
Boren  
Brown, Corrine  
Buyer  
Capuano  
Carnahan  
Carson  
Crenshaw  
Cubin  
Davis, Lincoln  
Delahunt  
Emanuel

Serrano  
Sessions  
Shadegg  
Shays  
Shimkus  
Shuster  
Simpson  
Smith (NE)  
Smith (NJ)  
Smith (TX)  
Souder

Hare  
Harman  
Hastings (FL)  
Herseth Sandlin  
Higgins  
Hill  
Hinojosa  
Hirono  
Hodes  
Holden  
Holt  
Hookey  
Hoyer  
Inslee  
Jackson (IL)  
Jackson-Lee  
(TX)  
Jefferson  
Johnson (GA)  
Johnson, E. B.  
Jones (OH)  
Kagen  
Kanjorski  
Kaptur  
Kennedy  
Kildee  
Kind  
Klein (FL)  
Kucinich  
Lampson  
Langevin  
Larsen (WA)  
Larson (CT)  
Lee  
Levin  
Lewis (GA)  
Lipinski  
Loebsack  
Lofgren, Zoe  
Lowey  
Lynch  
Mahoney (FL)  
Maloney (NY)  
Markey  
Marshall  
Matheson  
Matsui  
McCollum (MN)  
McDermott  
McGovern  
McIntyre  
McNerney  
McNulty  
Meek (FL)  
Meeks (NY)  
Melancon  
Michaud  
Miller (NC)  
Miller, George  
Mitchell  
Mollohan  
Moore (KS)  
Moore (WI)  
Moran (VA)  
Murphy (CT)  
Murphy, Patrick  
Murtha  
Nadler  
Neal (MA)

## NOT VOTING—44

Everett  
Franks (AZ)  
Giffords  
Hall (TX)  
Hastert  
Hinchey  
Hobson  
Hunter  
Israel  
Jindal  
Johnson, Sam  
Jones (NC)  
Kilpatrick  
LaHood  
Lantos  
Obey  
Oliver  
Pallone  
Pascarell  
Payne  
Perlmutter  
Peterson (MN)  
Pomeroy  
Price (NC)  
Rahall  
Rangel  
Reyes  
Richardson  
Ross  
Roybal-Allard  
Ruppertsberger  
Rush  
Ryan (OH)  
Sánchez, Linda  
T.  
Sanchez, Loretta  
Sarbanes  
Schakowsky  
Schiff  
Schwartz  
Scott (GA)  
Scott (VA)  
Sestak  
Shea-Porter  
Sherman  
Shuler  
Sires  
Skelton  
Slaughter  
Smith (WA)  
Snyder  
Solis  
Space  
Spratt  
Stark  
Stupak  
Sutton  
Tanner  
Tauscher  
Taylor  
Thompson (CA)  
Thompson (MS)  
Tierney  
Towns  
Tsongas  
Udall (CO)  
Udall (NM)  
Van Hollen  
Velázquez  
Visclosky  
Walz (MN)  
Wasserman  
Schultz  
Waters  
Watson  
Watt  
Waxman  
Weiner  
Welch (VT)  
Wexler  
Wilson (OH)  
Woolsey  
Wynn  
Yarmuth

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Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. RICHARDSON, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Messrs. FARR, JOHNSON of Georgia, GONZALEZ, Ms. SOLIS, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Messrs. GRIJALVA, CUELLAR, REYES and HINOJOSA changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Messrs. HOEKSTRA, BILIRAKIS, SAXTON, BURGESS, BARTON of Texas, McCOTTER and Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the motion to adjourn was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the General Counsel of the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL,  
Washington, DC, November 9, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
Speaker,  
House of Representatives.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: I am writing to tender my resignation as General Counsel to the House of Representatives, effective the close of business on November 12, 2007. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve under three Speakers, including yourself, for the past twelve years. Over that time, I have tried to maintain a nonpartisan office that, both by reputation and in practice, provides thoughtful and effective legal advice and representation to all Members of the House, without regard to political affiliation, and whose highest obligation is to the long-term interests of the House. I believe the other attorneys in the office and I have succeeded in meeting these objectives. We have worked very closely with Members and staffers from both sides of the aisle on many matters, as well as with the House Officers and the many institutional offices in the legislative branch. I expect that the Office of General Counsel will continue to fulfill this role for the House, and that the Office will maintain the respect and trust it has enjoyed all these years.

I would like to recognize and thank the staff of the Office: first, my very good friend and colleague who came with me to the House over twelve years ago—Deputy General Counsel Kerry Kircher, who will continue in that capacity and provide excellent service to the House as he has always done. I would also like to recognize the other attorneys, Assistant Counsels David Plotinsky, Christine Davenport, and John Filamor, who have all been with the Office for a long time and who are well known to and respected by so many Members, Officers and staff of the House. Finally, I would like to recognize our Office Administrator, Czesia Constantine, who has taken care of every aspect of the office's functions, including watching every penny as though it were her own money. Her service, and that of the many evening law students who have worked as full time law clerks for the Office over those years, have made it possible for the attorneys to provide the quality of service for which the Office is known and appreciated.

I will greatly miss the many friends I have made here. I congratulate my successor, Irv Nathan, on his appointment and wish him

every success. Thank you again, Madam Speaker, for the opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,

GERALDINE R. GENNET,  
General Counsel.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. MEEKS of New York. Mr. Speaker, I just realized that yesterday on H.R. 3093, rollcall No. 1076, I voted "aye." I meant to vote "nay" because as a Democrat, I would never do anything that would inflict harm upon my Hispanic brothers and sisters.

#### TEMPORARY TAX RELIEF ACT OF 2007

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 809, I call up the bill (H.R. 3996) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3996

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE, ETC.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Temporary Tax Relief Act of 2007".

(b) REFERENCE.—Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

(c) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title, etc.

#### TITLE I—AMT RELIEF

Sec. 101. Extension of alternative minimum tax relief for nonrefundable personal credits.

Sec. 102. Extension of increased alternative minimum tax exemption amount.

#### TITLE II—ONE-YEAR EXTENDERS

##### Subtitle A—Extenders Primarily Affecting Individuals

Sec. 201. Deduction for State and local sales taxes.

Sec. 202. Deduction of qualified tuition and related expenses.

Sec. 203. Treatment of certain dividends of regulated investment companies.

Sec. 204. Parity in the application of certain limits to mental health benefits.

Sec. 205. Qualified conservation contributions.

Sec. 206. Tax-free distributions from individual retirement plans for charitable purposes.

Sec. 207. Deduction for certain expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers.

Sec. 208. Election to include combat pay as earned income for purposes of earned income tax credit.

Sec. 209. Modification of mortgage revenue bonds for veterans.

Sec. 210. Distributions from retirement plans to individuals called to active duty.

Sec. 211. Stock in RIC for purposes of determining estates of nonresidents not citizens.

Sec. 212. Qualified investment entities.

Sec. 213. Refundable child credit.

Sec. 214. State legislators' travel expenses away from home.

##### Subtitle B—Extenders Primarily Affecting Businesses

Sec. 221. Research credit.

Sec. 222. Indian employment credit.

Sec. 223. New markets tax credit.

Sec. 224. Railroad track maintenance.

Sec. 225. Fifteen-year straight-line cost recovery for qualified leasehold improvements and qualified restaurant property.

Sec. 226. Seven-year cost recovery period for motorsports racing track facility.

Sec. 227. Accelerated depreciation for business property on Indian reservation.

Sec. 228. Expensing of environmental remediation costs.

Sec. 229. Deduction allowable with respect to income attributable to domestic production activities in Puerto Rico.

Sec. 230. Modification of tax treatment of certain payments to controlling exempt organizations.

Sec. 231. Extension and modification of credit to holders of qualified zone academy bonds.

Sec. 232. Tax incentives for investment in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 233. Extension of economic development credit for American Samoa.

Sec. 234. Enhanced charitable deduction for contributions of food inventory.

Sec. 235. Enhanced charitable deduction for contributions of book inventory to public schools.

Sec. 236. Enhanced deduction for qualified computer contributions.

Sec. 237. Basis adjustment to stock of S corporations making charitable contributions of property.

Sec. 238. Extension of work opportunity tax credit for Hurricane Katrina employees.

##### Subtitle C—Other Extenders

Sec. 241. Disclosure for combined employment tax reporting.

Sec. 242. Disclosure of return information to apprise appropriate officials of terrorist activities.

Sec. 243. Disclosure upon request of information relating to terrorist activities.

Sec. 244. Disclosure of return information to carry out income contingent repayment of student loans.

Sec. 245. Authority for undercover operations.

Sec. 246. Increase in limit on cover over of rum excise tax to Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Sec. 247. Disclosure of return information for certain veterans programs.

#### TITLE III—MORTGAGE FORGIVENESS DEBT RELIEF

Sec. 301. Discharges of indebtedness on principal residence excluded from gross income.

Sec. 302. Long-term extension of deduction for mortgage insurance premiums.

Sec. 303. Alternative tests for qualifying as cooperative housing corporation.

Sec. 304. Gain from sale of principal residence allocated to nonqualified use not excluded from income.

#### TITLE IV—ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Sec. 401. Repeal of authority to enter into private debt collection contracts.